



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of.:

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For: CHIMERIC AUTOPROCESSING
POLYPEPTIDES AND USES
THEREOF

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ELECTION

Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Restriction Office Action mailed January 14, 2008, which response is being made on or before March 14, 2008, and for which a one month extension of time fee is due.

Applicants hereby elect **Invention 3, comprising Groups 101-198, namely Claims 1-18,**
drawn to a chimeric polypeptide comprising an autoprocessing segment having amino acid sequence
of SEQ ID. NO: 31 (BIL-4 cloth).

With respect to the species requirements, Applicants select:

- A. Species of organism: **Clostridium thermocellum.**
- B. Species of substrate: **A compound/molecule.**

It is believed that claims 1 – 17 are readable on the elected species.

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to the non-elected Group.

Respectfully submitted,

Respectfully Submitted,
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